



G-5's "Eye on AMC"

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AMCOM welcomes new subordinate command

The U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command recently stood up a new subordinate command called the Aviation Center Logistics Command. The ACLC, commanded by Col. Rich Enderle, provides full-spectrum maintenance and supply for nearly 600 aircraft used to support the U.S. Army Aviation Center's training and mission requirements at Ft. Rucker, Ala.

The creation of ACLC began in February 2002 when Gen. John Abrams, then commander of the Training and Doctrine Command, suggested to Gen. Paul Kern, Army Materiel Command commanding general, that equipment readiness could be improved by applying AMC competencies and resources to the TRADOC fleet management mission.

AMCOM assumed operational control of the mission in February 2003 and awarded a new logistics support contract to Army Fleet Support, LLC in September 2003. The creation of the ACLC completes the process.

CEG-E delivers combat equipment for Afghan mission

It's an expeditionary Army, able to move fast and hit hard – thanks largely to prepositioned equipment ready to hand over to Soldiers at a moment's notice.

Such a mission is underway now as Army Materiel Command's Combat Equipment Base Rhine Ordnance Barracks and 1st Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment Soldiers out of Hohenfels, Germany team up to support a NATO mission in Afghanistan.

"Our AMC mission is readiness, providing combat-ready equipment from tracks to toolboxes," said Capt. Derek Neal, CEB-ROB commander. "In this case, we delivered 20 HMMWVs and five M113A3 armored personnel carriers, ready for airlift from nearby Ramstein Air Base."

GSIE replaces armored door windows

Experts from the Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command's Ground Systems Industrial Enterprise believe improper bonding of laminations may have caused fogging of HMMWV armored door windows. Within days of receiving word about the problem from personnel at the Air Force Battle Lab on McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey, a team from GSIE replaced the defective glass.

"Although we don't offer a warranty per se, we'll go to great lengths to ensure our customers are satisfied," said Brent Starkey, GSIE engineer and member of the service team. Starkey and William Gross, of the Joint Manufacturing and Technology Center in Rock Island, Ill., received medallions from the Air Force Battle Lab for their efforts.

The lab procured a four-door Armor Survivability Kit from the GSIE to evaluate the capabilities of the ballistic armor. GSIE experts are expected to further test and evaluate the faulty glass.

Did you know...

Maj. Gen. Skip Philips, Army Materiel Command's assistant deputy commanding general for Reserve Affairs, presented Bronze Star Medals to Lt. Col. Christopher Webb and Maj. Chris Harrington of the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program Support Unit at an awards ceremony Sept. 12 at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Webb served as the LOGCAP detachment commander and senior planner for the Combined Joint Task Force 76, planning the contracted combat service support functions and base installation services for all U.S. military and coalition forces in the Afghanistan combined joint operations area. Harrington served as a LOGCAP planner and liaison officer, planning the contracted base camp and combat service support functions to Kandahar Air Field, surrounding forward operating bases, and provincial reconstruction teams in the Afghanistan combined joint operations area.